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For: METHOD OF WRITING GRATING STRUCTURES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents

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SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

A clean version of all pending claims is provided herewith in **Attachment A**. It will be noted that all the have been amended relative to the previously provided version as shown by the marked up version thereof in **Attachment B** provided herewith.

REMARKS

The present amendment is made to eliminate multiple dependent claims and thus eliminate the requirement for a multiple claim fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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